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DEPT PASS EX-IM

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: ETEL, BEXP, UV

SUBJECT: VOLTAN SATELLITE EARTH STATION

1. GTE INTERNATIONAL SYSTEMS CORP AND GOUV HAVE CONCLUDED AGREEMENT FOR CONSTRUCTION AND OPERATION OF SATELLITE EARTH STATION IN OUAGADOUGOU. ACCORDING TO GTE VICE PRESIDENT HERBERT EDGAR, COST OF PROJECT ESTIMATED AT \$6.0 MILLION. WORK WILL BE UNDERTAKEN OVER 12 MONTH PERIOD BY TELE-PROJECTS INC., EUROPEAN-AFFILIATE OF GTE.

2. GTE'S PROPOSAL IS RESULT OF FAVORABLE FEASIBILITY STUDY DONE IN APRIL 1973 BY COMSAT. FACT THAT US FIRM WAS CHOSEN REFLECTS GOUV PREFERENCE FOR AMERICAN TECHNOLOGY AS WELL VOLTAN DESIRE TO BREAK THEIR DEPENDENCY ON FRENCH.

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3. KEY ISSUE NOW IS FINANCING. GOUV MUST SOLICIT LOAN  
FROM OUTSIDE SOURCES TO COVER INVESTMENT COSTS OF PROJECT.  
GTE REPS SAID VOLTANS WILL MOST LIKELY APPROACH WORLD BANK OR  
EX-IM. LATTER SOURCE FAVORED SINCE CONSIDERABLE TIME  
REQUIRED FOR ANY WORLD BANK DECISION. BELIEVE GTE REPS  
WILL BE CONTACTING EX-IM FOR FURTHER DISCUSSIONS THIS  
SUBJECT.  
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